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Appl. No: 10/643,720)
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Title: MOUNTING SYSTEM FOR) Art Unit 3641
CLAY TARGET THROWER)
AND RIFLE/PISTOL REST)
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In response to the above requirement, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group II, claims 13-21, regarding a weapon mount apparatus. Basis for the traverse is Applicant's belief that the mounting system of claims 1-12 provides the underlying structure for the weapon mount components set forth in claims 13-21. Therefore, it would be difficult to operate the weapon mount without the mounting system described in claims 1-12. Moreover, the areas for searching will be coextensive because of the interdependence of the systems to each other.

Respectfully submitted,

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